

DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

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TO: Superintendents, Principals, School Leaders **FROM:** Dr. Charity Flores, Director of Student Assessment

DATE: September 8, 2017

RE: ISTEP+ 2017 Grade 10 Winter Retest – Scheduling Guidance & Flexibility

Some students need to retest in one or both subject areas during the ISTEP+ 2017 Grade 10 Winter Retest. The winter retest testing times should serve as a reference when scheduling students for this test administration. Please contact our office to discuss any additional flexibility or guidance.

ISTEP+ 2017 Grade 10 Winter Retest (December 4-15, 2017) - Total Testing Times*

Part 1		Mathematics	English/Language Arts	
Section	1	35 minutes	35 minutes	
	2	25 minutes	70 minutes	
Part 2		Mathematics	English/Language Arts	
Section	1	40 minutes	36 minutes	
	2	37 minutes	37 minutes	
	3	37 minutes	44 minutes	

^{*}All times include 5 minutes instructional time.

Additional guidance is noted below.

- Both parts and test sections within each part **must be administered in sequential order** (e.g., For Mathematics, **Part 1**: Section 1, 2... **Part 2**: Section 1, 2...).
- Consider scheduling concurrent test administrations for students needing a retest in a single content area (e.g., separate room each for Math and ELA).

Example: Day 1: Part 1 Math / Part 1 ELA

Day 2: Part 2 Math / Part 2 ELA

Part 1 sections and Part 2 sections may be administered on one or more different days.

Examples:

Schedule	Day(s)	Subject Area	Part 1	Part 2
А	1	Math	X	
	2	Math		X
	3	ELA	Х	
	4	ELA		X
В	1 & 2	ELA	X	
	3 & 4	ELA		X
	5 & 6	Math	Х	
	7 & 8	Math		Х

 Examiners must be thoughtful about student fatigue when administering multiple test sections on a single day.

Schools who wish to formally request a change to the established winter retest window must complete the **2017-18 Date Change Request Form** https://form.jotformpro.com/72063281415955 by October 20, 2017.